(b) the cable operator shall make provisions for rent and security deposit or refund thereof as well as warranty, repair and maintenance in the manner notified by the Government.

(viii) To educate the subscribers, Government has carried out a multi media publicity campaign through newspapers, TV and Radio.

(ix) Government has reduced the duty on import of STB to make it affordable to the consumers.

(x) Government has also reduced the duty on the import of components of STBs and abolished the excise duty on these, in order to boost the indigenous production of STB in India.

(xi) After monitoring the preparedness of stakeholders to introduce addressability and after discussions with various stakeholders, namely Broadcasters, Multi System Operators, Cable Operators, Consumer groups, etc. it has been decided to roll out the CAS in a zonal phased manner, in the metros-of Delhi, Mumbai and Kolkata and in the Chennai Metropolitan area, w.e.f. 1.9.2003. The notification was issued on 10th July, 2003. The intervening period will be utilized to step up preparedness for smooth roll out of CAS and for educating the subscribers.

(xii) Government is monitoring the status of import of STBs by MSOs.

(xiii) Government has deputed experts to inspect and test check of STBs to be utilized by MSOs at their premises, as well as in the manufacturing units abroad, to ensure the quality of STBs as specified by Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS).

Duty on imported tea

*119. SHRI S.P.M. SYED KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any request from the Government of Tamil Nadu to enhance duty on imported tea up to 150 per cent; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ARUN JAITELY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The imports of tea into the country constitute only about 2% of the domestic tea production and more than 95% of the imported tea is re-exported. During 2002-03, an estimated 19.67 million kgs of tea were imported into the country as compared to estimated domestic production of 837.60 million kgs. However, with a view to protect the domestic tea industry from any large-scale imports, Government had raised the import duty on tea from 35% to 70% in 2001-02 and further to 100% in 2002-03. At present, Government do not have any proposal to f further enhance the import duty on tea.

Educational institutions pertaining to ISM&H

*120. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the location-wise details of Ayurvedic, Homoeopathic, Unani, Naturopathy and Allopathic educational colleges/institutions functioning in the country as on June 30, 2003;

(b) the number of institutions being run by the Union/State Governments, State-wise/UT-wise;

(c) whether it is a fact that most of these colleges/institutions do not have adequate teaching and other facilities; and

(d) if so, the remedial steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) The State/UT-wise number of educational colleges/institutions is given in the enclosed Statement-I *(See* below).

(b) The State/UT- wise number of institutions being run by the Union/ State Government is given in the enclosed Statement-ll *(See* below).

(c) In some colleges/institutions under ISM&H, the teaching and other facilities are not as per minimum standards laid down by the Central Council of Indian Medicine and Central Council of Homoeopathy.

(d) The following steps have been taken by the Government to improve and ensure prescribed minimum teaching and other facilities, in the Colleges/Institutions:-